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## JOHN W. BERRYMAN IS CLAIMED BY DEATH THURSDAY MORNING

Well Known and Highly  
Respected Business  
Man Dies

BEEN SICK FOUR YEARS

Born Over 78 Years Ago At  
Elizabeth—Was Always  
Patient and Loving



JOHN W. BERRYMAN

Death claimed one of Charleroi's best known residents this morning in the person of John W. Berryman, who died at 10:30 o'clock at the Berryman has been in failing health since December 18, 1910, at which time he suffered a paralytic stroke. Wednesday a week ago he suffered from another attack. He was 78 years of age.

Mr. Berryman was born February 2, 1837 at Elizabeth. He was the son of Duncan and Sarah Berryman. A brother William Berryman was the only other child born to this union. He died in infancy. Mr. Berryman's father died when Mr. Berryman was a year old. Mr. Berryman's mother became the wife of John C. Daniel in December, 1839.

On October 6, 1860 he was united in marriage with Miss Anna House of near Beallsville. Mrs. Berryman died January 27, 1914. Following their marriage they took up their abode at California. They removed in 1875 to Coal Centre, where they resided for a number of years.

Seventeen years ago Mr. and Mrs. Berryman changed their place of residence to Charleroi where a year previous Mr. Berryman had opened up the store that is now one of the leading business institutions of the kind in the Monongahela valley being conducted under the firm name of J. W. Berryman and Son. The active management of the store has been in charge of Mr. Berryman's son John D. Berryman for the past four years.

Mr. Berryman was the senior member of the firm of J. W. Berryman and Son in Charleroi. He was president of the A. R. Ney company's store at Monessen. Mr. Berryman was also interested in the D. S. Bayne and company's store at Donora.

Previous to Mr. Berryman's coming to Charleroi he and his son were engaged in the merchandise business in Coal Centre. Mr. Berryman was always keenly interested in affairs and during his years of activity was one of the upbuilders of the community. By his kind, lovable spirit, he gained early the name of "Grandpa Berryman" and it has held true as an index of character.

Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Berryman. Only two survive. They are John D. Berryman of Lincoln avenue, Charleroi, junior member of the firm of J. W. Berryman and Son and William L. Berryman, Esq., a prominent attorney of Pittsburgh, who is also an official of the Union Trust company in that city. Miss Ella Berryman, a daughter, died in young womanhood and Georgia, another daughter, died in infancy.

Mr. Berryman was a friend to everyone. He was always ready to assist where aid was needed. He was a member of the First Christian church

of Charleroi and was a deacon in that church. He was always patient in all his sufferings and tried to lighten the burden for those who took care of him.

Mr. Berryman was a member of the Charleroi order Free and Accepted Mason Lodge No. 615, of the Jr. O. U. A. M. lodge at Coal Centre, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Fayette City and a member of the Charleroi encampment of the Odd Fellows.

Arrangements have been made to hold public funeral services on Saturday morning at 10:30 o'clock at the First Christian church. Rev. E. N. Duty, pastor of the church will conduct the services. Mr. Berryman will be buried with Masonic Rites. Interment will be at Howe's cemetery.

## NO ISSUE OF MAIL ON NEW YEAR'S DAY

Tomorrow being New Year's Day and a legal holiday, no issue of the Mail will be published.

Star Theatre.  
"Zodora" every Thursday beginning December 24 at Star Theatre. The greatest of all stories

Don't fail to attend the basketball game between the Monongahela Alumni and the Charleroi Alumni at the high school gymnasium preliminary to the regular game Friday evening.

A Good Opportunity.  
Here is an opportunity for some person to have the use of a small pony from now until the first of June. All that is required is to take the pony and take good care of it until the above date. Send address to 451 Mail office.

To Our Patrons and Friends.  
We thank our patrons and friends for the good holiday trade we enjoyed this season. Our store is always ready to serve you with quality merchandise at the right price. We will chase at our store, which you received for Christmas and are unable to use. During the months of January and February our goods are from 10 to 20 per cent off our marked prices to make room for our spring line coming in. Wishing all our patrons and friends a Happy and Prosperous 1915, we remain yours very truly, H. Porter, jeweler and optician, 341 Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa.

## CONVENTION WILL BE HELD IN CHARLEROI

Working Men's Compensation  
Bill is Discussed at  
Meeting Wednesday

In 1916 district No. 5 United Mine Workers of America will hold their convention in Charleroi. This announcement was made Wednesday night at a meeting in the high school auditorium, which had been arranged for the discussion of the proposed working men's compensation act, which will be presented at the next session of legislature. William J. Feeney of Charleroi presided over the meeting.

Attorney D. M. McCloskey opened the meeting by speaking against the interpretation of the supreme court on the bituminous mine code. He was followed by President Van A. Bittner of district No. 5 United Mine Workers of America, who spoke on the various methods of compensation recommending that of state payment through compensation boards as the most practical in its benefits for the working men.

Miss Helen A. Allen of Pittsburgh was given a chance to speak on the woman suffrage question. She stated that the working men must have the co-operation of the women voters of the state if they hoped to pass any compensation act. She spoke of the number of women employed in the large industries and the wages that they receive. She stated that they must have the right to vote before these conditions could be improved.

## ALLEGED MURDERER IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN CAUGHT

August Buono alias John Benny, alleged slayer of Calarego Sanfilippo, who was shot to death on the evening of November 24, last, is believed to have been arrested in Pittsburgh Wednesday.

The killing occurred in the rear of a barber shop on McKean avenue. Immediately after the murder Buono made his escape and has been at large since. District attorney Richard Miller this morning notified Chief of police C. W. Albright that a man believed to be Buono was in the county jail at Washington. Chief Albright left at noon to identify the man.

Notice.  
All members of Charleroi Business Men's Association are hereby notified to meet at rooms Saturday morning at 9:15 in order to view remains and attend services of our deceased member John W. Berryman.

H. W. Wilson, Secretary.

## STATEMENT OF FACTS FIRST DAY OF YEAR A COMPLETE HOLIDAY

### IS GIVEN Member of the Business Men's Association States Plans

Editor Charleroi Mail:

As a member of the Business Men's association I desire to reach the people of Charleroi and North Charleroi with some of the pertinent facts which should be weighed by our officials and citizens before taking definite action on the consolidation of these boroughs.

We have the option of becoming a third class city, with a modern business form of local government plan, as well as becoming a consolidated borough. The joint councils may submit either to a vote of the people or by petitions of 100 citizens in each borough, councils are compelled to submit either plan to a vote of the people. The cost is the same for either plan. We do not have to become a consolidated borough in order to become a consolidated city as many of our citizens seem to think.

There are a number of good reasons why we should not become a consolidated borough if we intend to adopt the city plan of government within the next five or ten years. Among them being the following: 1. It will require twice the cost of consolidation. 2. We will have to twice undergo the reorganization of our business administrations of both the borough and school; the changing of bookkeeping records, etc. 3. The ordinances of both boroughs will have to be gone over and published as a consolidated borough and again gone over and republished as a city at double the expense. They are in deplorable condition now and the work should not be delayed. 4. If it will be a good thing to have a third class city charter in five or ten years we should get it now in order to enjoy its benefits at once and save all the unnecessary double expense.

Every citizen should thoroughly inform himself on all of the facts instead of exhibiting his ignorance by jumping at conclusions. Let us have deliberation before decision, discussion not conclusion. In order to inform yourself on what borough consolidation may get all there is on becoming a third class city that is necessary for intelligent discussion by reading Act No. 367 and Act No. 391 of the 1913 session of the state legislature. They are found on pages 568 and 694 respectively. I would suggest that we have a good attendance at our next business men's meeting to discuss the matter and that our president be instructed to call a meeting in Charleroi and another in North Charleroi and that the citizens of both boroughs attend each meeting. It will take at least two meetings to reach the people with the facts that they should have before them in deciding this important question. Let us have a reasonable and dispassionate exchange of ideas between the citizens of our sister boroughs.

Respectfully yours,  
Member of the Business Men's Association.

### SPECIAL FEATURES ON VAUDEVILLE PROGRAM

Some of the best features of the season will be presented on the vaudeville program at the Palace theatre this week. Harry and Mae Matthews will entertain with a sensational comedy act and Jack Lewis the German orator one of the best in his line will be presented and Starick and Prescott with a high class comedy special. In addition to the vaudeville program motion pictures will be shown.

### RESIGNATION IS ACCEPTED BY SCHOOL BOARD

The resignation of W. L. Lorimer as a teacher in the high school was accepted by the school board at a special meeting Wednesday evening. Members of the board are in communication today with Prof. T. L. Pollock over the long distance telephone relative to some one to fill the vacancy. The school board will hold another meeting tonight at which time it is expected a teacher will be selected to fill the vacancy.

### KING-HIGGINS NUPTIALS WILL OCCUR TODAY

This evening at the Baptist parsonage at 6:30 o'clock, Miss Lillie Alice Higgins will become the bride of Howard B. King. Rev. W. G. Carl will perform the ceremony. Miss Higgins is the daughter of S. B. Higgins of Meadow avenue. Mr. King is the son of Mrs. Mary King of Sharon, Pa.

The bride will be attended by her sister Miss Iva Higgins of Charleroi. The groom will be attended by the brother of the bride, Fred Higgins of Charleroi. The ceremony will be witnessed only by the brother and sister of the bride.

Mr. and Mrs. King will not take any trip at present but will take an automobile trip in the spring through the west. They will go to housekeeping in Charleroi. Mr. King is manager of the local Star theatre, having been here about four weeks. He has been in the valley about three months having been connected with Mr. Cowan's theatres at Donora and Monessen.

Tonight.  
The Monongahela Aerie of Eagles will give a dance tonight in their hall at Monongahela. Peerless orchestra. General invitation. Hours 8 to 1.

A preliminary game will be played by the Monongahela alumni and the Charleroi Alumni basketball teams at the high school gymnasium Friday evening.

Join the Christmas Savings club at the Charleroi Savings and Trust company and save worry next Christmas.

Charles Chaplin in "Getting Acquainted," Keystone. Coyle theatre New Year's afternoon and evening.

### Watch Night Services Will be Held in Several of the Churches

### BASKET BALL GAMES

Business generally will be at a standstill and a holiday observed in Charleroi tomorrow, New Year's Day. The day will be quietly observed. Services will be held at some of the churches, and a number of parties and watch night services have been arranged for tonight.

Tonight will be the time of the celebration. Whistles will blow, bells will ring and other noisy acclamations will greet the new year at mid-night. At the Baptist and Methodist Episcopal churches watch night services will be held tonight. The members of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church will hold a watch night meeting at the home of Capt. George Nutt at Lock No. 4. The Christian Endeavor of the First Christian church will have a watch night party at the home of Miss Edna Garee, on Fallowfield avenue.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the First Presbyterian church has arranged to hold a watch night meeting tonight. A business meeting will be held at 8 o'clock. This will be followed by a program. The remainder of the evening will be spent socially.

Circumcision day will be observed at St. Mary's Episcopal church tomorrow morning, by holy communion and a sermon by the pastor. At St. Jerome's Catholic church masses will be held at 6 and 8 o'clock.

Tomorrow evening the Charleroi high school team will play the Mon-Hall high school team at the high school building at 8 o'clock. Quite a number of persons have gone out of town to spend the day.

### CHARITY BALL IS HOLIDAY EVENT

Arrangements are well under way for the Charity Ball to be held by the Alpha Phi Beta for the benefit of the Charleroi-Monessen Hospital on Tuesday evening January 5. Tickets for the ball are selling fast. It is planned to make this one of the most brilliant affairs of the winter season.

Spend New Year's evening at the high school gymnasium two games. Preliminary between the Monongahela Alumni and Charleroi Alumni teams and regular game between Monhall High and Charleroi High.

Tonight.  
White Rose club dance in Night's Auditorium. Dance the old year out and New Year in. Simeon orchestra.

There will be a lecture this evening in St. Jerome's Lyceum playing will continue until 12:01 o'clock. Admission 10 cents. Everyone invited.

### VAUDEVILLE AT THE PALACE TONIGHT

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## TEACHING IN TERMS OF COUN- TRY LIFE.

"Country children should be taught  
in terms of country life," declares W.  
T. Hodges in a bulletin issued by the  
United States bureau of education.

In order to discover some of the  
definite things that have been done in  
rural public schools toward infusing  
into both parents and pupils the  
"stay-on-the-farm" spirit, says an  
exchange. Mr. Hodges sent 3,500 let-  
ters to superintendents throughout  
the country who have rural schools  
under their supervision. From the  
replies many suggestions of special  
value have been received.

"Farm arithmetic, farm geography  
and text books have been secured by  
Berk's county, Pennsylvania, schools.  
Berk's county, Mo., has succeeded in  
making the school a community cen-  
ter by having work done to supple-  
ment that done at home and by in-  
viting patrons to visit the schools.  
The latter is accomplished by the  
"old farm-wagon and big-dinner"  
plan, whereby as many as 2,000 per-  
sons in the community have visited  
one school on a certain day in the  
year.

A teacher of Warren county, Ind.,  
who gave her pupils the "option of  
work in agriculture or Virgil," was  
astonished to find that in practically  
every instance the students took both  
subjects and the grades rose beyond  
anything before experienced.

"We have improvised domestic sci-  
ence teaching by means of coal-oil  
stoves and kitchen utensils which the  
patrons of the school gave through a  
"kitchen shower," says an enthusias-  
tic teacher from Chester township,  
Ohio. A teacher who was not a gradu-  
ate in domestic science but who had  
"grit and determination" put the  
girls of this school to work in pre-  
paring hot lunches which were sold  
at a few cents. A varied menu was  
provided.

Plainville township, Conn., selects  
one school in each village and makes  
of it "a model school," to demon-  
strate what a rural school under or-  
dinary conditions may become. The  
result has been that the standard in  
all the schools in the country has been  
elevated.

In Carolina county, Md., lantern-  
slide views contrasting the best and  
poorest agricultural and domestic con-  
ditions are used to good effect.

Summing up the results of his in-  
vestigation, Mr. Hodges declares:  
"The letters received reveal improve-  
ment everywhere in the schools for  
country children. There is a feeling  
that the country child will be best  
educated for whatever life he may  
lead whether in the city or in the  
country, if taught in terms of coun-  
try life. The movement toward this  
is nation-wide. Country school houses  
are used to some extent as civic cen-  
ters in all states of the union. No  
special feature of rural school work  
is confined to any one state or sec-  
tion. The home project method of  
teaching agriculture, used in Massa-  
chusetts, is also used in Louisiana,  
Wisconsin and other states. Boys  
and girls' agricultural clubs are found  
in almost every state in the union."

## WHAT GOVERNMENT IS FOR.

Within the past few weeks there  
has been a turn for the better in  
the business world, remarks the Mil-  
waukee Journal. The first harmful  
effects of the world war are passing  
and normal conditions are beginning  
to reappear. Some dissatisfaction of  
course will always exist. A few days  
ago, for instance, something hap-  
pened which illustrates the blind  
and selfish views which some business-  
men hold. A Milwaukee man was  
damning the government because he

is making so much money as he  
did a few years ago. "But you are  
a rich man," he was told, "and you  
still have a very large income." This  
made him more furious than ever.

"I tell you, the United States is  
going straight to destruction," he ve-  
hemently asserted.

It developed that a law which had  
given him special privilege had been  
modified and for this reason he thinks  
of saying that government is a failure.  
When government enabled him to ex-  
tract tribute from an innocent third  
party, the people, then government  
was his friend and a pronounced  
success, but when government stepped  
in and lifted at least a portion  
of this unjust burden from the  
shoulders of the people, government  
in his opinion became worthless—an  
institution to revile and damn.

Some queer ideas certainly to get  
into the heads of some men.

## ELECTRIC SPARKS

### Dividing Patient.

Linotype Operator—How do you  
divide patient.

Sarcastic Make-up Man—With a  
hatchet.

### Objections.

"He—I know I have my short-com-  
ings.

She—It isn't that father objects  
to; it's your long-stayings.

What would happen to a school  
journal if they should ever sick  
those European war censors on it.

Mutual help is essential. We ad-  
just dividends and then dividends  
adjust us.

Some men think the only way  
others can restore confidence in their  
judgment is by getting a permit for  
a lunatic asylum habitation.

A bushel of potatoes or a pound  
of meat would make the very best  
kind of holiday present from the  
wealthy.

### Literary Lunkheads.

He is a dub. I hope he chokes.

His field has a wide range.

This lad who cops out my best jokes

And signs himself "Exchange."

—Cincinnati Enquirer

Another gink who stops to crime

By no one he's respected

Is he who uses our best wit, grace,

And signs himself "Selected."

—Youngstown Telegram

I love to write a joyous wheeze

Which in my brain has risen;

But gridirons hot await the geeze

Who pams it off as his'n.

—McDonald Outlook

## PICKED UP IN PASSING

Brown attended a party one night,  
but being quite heavy and rather  
awkward, he was unfortunate in find-  
ing most of the dance cards filled.  
Consequently his evening was largely  
spent sitting amidst the paper-  
mache palms watching the other dan-  
cers.

"Oh, Mr. Brown," cried a sweet,  
young thing, "What in the world  
are you doing sitting here? Why  
aren't you dancing?"

"No fault of mine, Miss Smith,"  
voicily fibbed Brown. "You must  
blame the doctor."

"Blame the doctor?" returned the  
sweet young thing. "I don't under-  
stand."

"I am drinking cream for my  
health, Miss Smith," explained  
Brown, "and he is afraid that I might  
tango it into butter."

Roy K. Mooton in the Philadelphia  
Star gives a list of extracts from the  
Hickeyville Clarion as follows:

The ladies' aid has started a cru-  
sade agin wimmen in our village  
smokin' pipes. Grandma Whipple is up  
in arms agin the crusade and threat-  
ens to wipe the ladies' aid off'n the  
map, and most of the male citizens of  
our burg are backin' her up. It looks  
like a very personal attack, as she  
is the only lady in our midst who  
smokes a pipe in the open.

Burglars broke into the burglar-  
proof cheese case at Tibbitts grocery  
Thursday while Tibbitts was out back  
of the buildin' drawing a gallon of  
gasoline out'n the tank for Anse Jud-  
son and about one-half pound of  
cheese was stolen. Constable Ezra  
Hend is at work on the case and  
claims he has got a good glue to the  
culprits. It is thought to have been  
the work of professionals, as Hank  
Tumms and Hod Peters was in the  
store at the time. Both claim they  
was asleep, but the constable says  
such an ally as that won't go in  
court.

## ALMOST PERFECT IN SYSTEM

Modern Hotel a Wonderful Improve-  
ment Over Its Predecessor of Only  
a Few Years Ago.

"It is wonderful to appreciate the  
difference in hotel systems of today  
and 15 years ago. And still, with all  
the conveniences that are offered to  
guests at practically the same rates,  
there is the man who finds fault.

Today guests have telephones in  
their rooms, whereas several years  
ago they had anything from a con-  
bell to a row of brass checks operat-  
ed with a cord.

"At the old Gibson House, about  
twelve years ago, we installed a de-  
vice for lessening labor which was  
called a telesem. It was a sort of  
punch button affair which was sup-  
posed to signal for anything from a  
San Francisco newspaper to a bag of  
peanuts. You'd push the button so  
many times and different lights would  
lob up on the board in the office after  
the clerk had released the indicator.

"One day I pulled out the indicator  
on a certain room and the lights  
flared up. The signal showed a very  
difficult drink and I hastened to notify  
the chef.

"A boy took the drink upstairs, but  
could find no one. After a little in-  
vestigation, I found the room had  
not been occupied for two weeks and  
that the signal had been given when  
a maid had pushed the bed against  
the room button.

"Another device was the old cord  
in the room at the Grand hotel. A  
certain number of pulls would release  
brass checks on which was scheduled  
the desire of the guest. Whenever a  
pull came on this indicator it sounded  
as though some one had dropped a  
couple of hundred brass checks on a  
marble floor.

"This affair was a nuisance, for we  
got to sending ice water to a room  
every time it worked. Many times a  
guest would receive three or four  
pitchers of water.

"Then some one came along and  
put in the telephone for hotels. The  
modern day hotel is a wonderful in-  
stitution compared with that of but a  
few years ago."—Cincinnati Com-  
mercial Tribune.

## HIS PLACE IN PROFESSION

Traveler Not a Physician, Yet He Un-  
doubtedly Had a Certain Con-  
nection With the Business.

They were speaking of how easy it  
is to crack up against a misunderstanding,  
at a recent dinner in the east,  
when former Governor Alva Adams of  
Colorado told of the bad guess made  
by a messenger on a through express.

In order to break the monotony of  
the long ride, the senator said, a pair  
of fellow passengers got into conver-  
sation, and nearly every topic on the  
list was discussed, from politics to the  
price of eggs.

"What do you think of this microbe  
business, doctor?" asked one of the  
men during the conversation. "Do you  
really think they are as serious a men-  
ace as we are led to believe?"

"Pardon me," interposed the other.  
"You have evidently made a mistake  
in my calling. I am not a physician.  
"Please excuse me," quickly re-  
turned the first. "I must have misun-  
derstood you. Didn't you say that you  
followed the medical profession?"

"Yes," was the smiling response of  
the second, "but I am an undertaker."

### Kept Out of Politics.

In Austria women are forbidden by  
law to take an active part in politics  
or to join any political association.  
Last spring the chamber of deputies  
decided to "cancel the prohibiting  
clause, and the political committee of  
the upper house has now endorsed this  
vote of the deputies, with the explana-  
tion that "the part taken by women  
in associations with political ten-  
dencies is well known, and, under the  
circumstances, can scarcely be pre-  
vented." This bill has been sent back  
to the deputies for further considera-  
tion. The women of Austria have been  
leading an agitation against the rise  
of prices which they, as housekeepers,  
feel most acutely. They have been  
successful in cheapening coal in Vienna,  
and milk in Brunn. The leaders of the  
movement have been elected to mun-  
icipal committees, and for the first  
time a woman has been put on a com-  
mittee of a town council, viz., that of  
Housing.

### The Easier Way.

Speaking of the splendid work done  
by the Carnegie Foundation, which re-  
cently held its annual meeting in New  
York, Jacob Gould Schurman, presi-  
dent of Cornell university, said:

"The generosity, the intelligent and  
unselfish devotion, which Mr. Carnegie  
has shown in this philanthropy, have  
won for him the esteem of the whole  
nation.

"The esteem of one's fellow men—  
not an easy thing to win; but as Mr.  
Carnegie has proven, not so difficult,  
either, as the sage considered it to be.

"A youth, you know," continued  
President Schurman, "sought a sage  
and inquired of him:

"What shall I do, oh, sage, to have  
my fellow men speak well of me?"

"The sage's reply was:

"Lie."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

### Novelist a Dandy.

A. E. W. Mason, the English novel-  
ist, is said to be the best dressed literary  
man in London. He is a spare, strik-  
ing looking man, with something of  
the appearance of a Georgian dandy.  
He published his first novel in 1895.  
He is an Alpine climber, and once was  
Liberal member for County. But the  
house of commons bored him to  
death.

We take this opportunity to wish the public in Charleroi and this  
vicinity a Happy and Prosperous New Year. We thank the public for  
their confidence and patronage, assuring them the business entrusted  
to us is appreciated. We have just finished one of the most prosperous  
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payments, this system does not increase or decrease, the same payment  
each week for fifty weeks with interest.

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The United States department of  
agriculture has been conducting elab-  
orate experiments to ascertain the  
value of street sweepings as a ferti-  
lizer. J. J. Skinner and J. H. Beattie  
of the bureau of soils tried samples  
collected in various ways upon wheat,  
corn and radishes and found that  
hard sweepings were best, but not  
nearly so good as well-rotted stable  
manure; that machine sweepings  
were about one-third as good as hand  
and that decomposed sweepings were  
almost useless.

The reason for this was that the  
sweepings contained much lubricating  
oil. The experimenters made tests  
of sweepings from which the oil had  
been extracted, and found that both  
hand and machine sweepings pro-  
duced as good results as stable ma-  
nure, while the decomposed sweep-  
ings were not far behind.

The department issues a bulletin  
warning farmers and gardeners that  
sweepings from which the oil has not  
been extracted will eventually impair  
the productivity of soil, unless  
through drainage the oily material is  
drained off or changed.

said by Cynicus.  
"What is the age of dis-  
cussion?" Cynicus—"There isn't any.  
I know a man over seventy who mar-  
ried his fourth wife the other day."  
—Philadelphia Record.

### Erratic Traveler.

Opportunity is the slowest thing in  
the world when it is approaching you,  
but when it is going in the other di-  
rection it travels faster than light.

### That Boy Again.

The Boy (company present)—  
"Mother, will the dessert hurt me to-  
night, or is there enough to go round?"  
—London Opinion.

### Too Great Belief in Luck.

Many a fellow is such a firm be-  
liever in luck that he would rather  
look for a four-leaved clover than  
hustle for a job.

Electric Clocks in Hotel.  
Two hundred electric clocks, con-  
trolled by a master timepiece, help  
turbish as many rooms in a new Liv-  
erpool hotel.

### As to Success.

Griggs—I should say that the keys  
to success are luck and pluck. Briggs  
—Yes! Luck in finding some one to  
—Luck.

## QUEER OLD PIECE OF ROCK

Part of It Was Made in the Devonian  
Period by Animals Living in  
Shells.

A curious piece of rock resembling  
somewhat a dog's head, is in the posses-  
sion of W. C. Strickler. "It was born,  
so I am told," says Mr. Strickler,  
"where Pennsylvania now is, millions  
of years ago. It is composed of two  
kinds of rock. The under rock and the  
"horns, that look like eyes, is of  
igneous origin, had its birth in fire,  
and the upper rock, which belongs to  
the Devonian period, was deposited on  
the sea floor by little animals that  
live in shells. One of these shells  
can be seen under the right eye and  
is called by geologists "Atrypa Reti-  
culatus," reticulated like a lady's veil.  
This upper rock is full of these shells.  
The parent rock, to which this piece  
belongs, is supposed to have come to  
the surface in Pennsylvania when the  
Allegheny mountains were elevated  
and during the glacial period this  
piece was broken off, carried and  
dropped where it was found."

### Real Surprise Ahead.

"What are you doing, Polly?" asked  
her mother. "I'm knitting, Mumie  
dear," replied the young woman. "I  
heard George say the other day he  
was afraid he'd have to buy a new  
muffler for his car, and I thought I'd  
knit him one as a sort of surprise."  
—Harper's Weekly.

### Exempted from Taxation.

For reasons of public policy the law  
exempts from taxation churches and  
church property, cemeteries, school  
and college property, buildings used  
for educational, literary, scientific or  
charitable purposes and property own-  
ed by a city, county, state or the  
United States.

### In the Telephone Book.

Dear Old Lady (using call-office tele-  
phone for the first time, to operator at  
the exchange)—"And as you've been  
so nice and attentive, my dear, I'm  
putting an extra penny in the box for  
yourself."—Punch.

### Er-Yes. He Had.

"Pardon me, Mr. Peever," said the  
chance acquaintance as the two help-  
ed hold up the cafe bar, "but have  
you ever had a serious accident?"  
"Well," replied Mr. Peever, "I met my  
wife by accident!"

### Wealth Second After Character.

My prayer to the gods is that, if  
possible, we may have wealth also in  
abundance, but that at all events we  
may maintain our character of being  
trustworthy and truthful.—Demo-  
stenes.

Recipe for Love Letter.  
To write a good love letter you  
ought to begin without knowing what  
you mean to say and to finish without  
knowing what you have written.—  
Rousseau.

Pair-as-Love's Accompaniment.  
The loftiest and purest love too  
often does but inflame the cloud of  
life with endless fire of pain.—John  
Ruskin.

### Satisfaction.

Blessed is he who has found his  
work; let him ask no other blessed-  
ness.—Foscolo.

### Fossils in Profusion.

Dr. Robert Broom of London, in a  
recent lecture says the oldest known  
fossils are 18,000,000 years old. Wait,  
please—it isn't necessary to inquire  
too closely into the reasons on which  
Dr. Broom bases his belief in this  
matter, nor to kick up any dispute  
about the question. But it is safe to  
say that in every town and com-  
munity, there are fossils far from 18-  
000,000 years old. They are persons  
who walk about and hold converse  
with their neighbors and are hope-  
lessly out of touch with affairs. They  
are opposed to everything that savors  
of either newness or action. They  
have tired of activity. Yet they per-  
sist in hanging around on the out-  
skirts of activity. What is to be done  
with them? Oh, the natural way is  
to get huffy and to call them fossils,  
boneheads and all that sort of thing.  
But there is another way to dispose  
of them. Let them have their say.  
Then exercise the function of forget-  
fulness and let the chariot roll on.—  
Detroit Free Press.

### Dangerous Hiccoughs.

Two unusual cases of suffering  
through hiccoughs are reported. In  
one, a man had an attack of hic-  
coughs which lasted for nine days be-  
fore he obtained relief. A little girl  
had a much worse attack, which  
lasted between three and four  
months, and was the result of a  
fright. Doctors had been unable to  
end the paroxysms, and many times  
it was thought the child would die.  
She had wasted away alarmingly, and  
hope for her recovery was abandoned.  
But a short time ago she had a violent  
attack of coughing. Her mother  
gave her cold tea and lemon. The  
coughing stopped. Everybody waited  
anxiously expecting the hiccoughing  
to return. But it did not.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Beginning January 1, 1915 five per  
cent will be added to 1914 taxes.

J. W. Mathias,  
Tax Collector.  
150-13



## Big Clearance Sale

in our ready-to-wear department. Ladies' suits, ladies', misses' and children's coats and sweaters. Dresses, skirts, petticoats, dressing saques, kimonos and raincoats. Girls hoods, caps, furs and dolls.

BARGAINS FOR ALL.  
GIVE US A CALL.

### EUGENE FAU

'The Ladies' Store'

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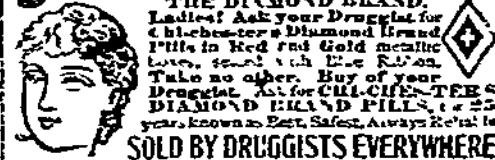
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CHICHESTER'S PILLS



Notice to Stockholders.

Charleroi, Pa., December 24th, 1914.

Election—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Charleroi Savings & Trust company will be held at the office of the company, corner of Fifth street and Fallowfield avenue, Charleroi, Pa., between the hours of 10 a. m. and 12 m. Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, for the election of directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business that may come before the meeting.

E. W. Hastings,  
Secretary.  
D-24-31-J-7

Notice.

My wife, formerly Mrs Louise Delatue, having left my bed and board I wish to serve notice that I will no longer be responsible for any debts contracted by her.

John Vazen.

D-31-J-14

Wishing all our patrons and friends a Happy and Prosperous 1915. Yours very truly, H. Porter, jeweler, Charleroi, Pa. 152tl

## PERSONALS

Mrs. L. S. Jack of Washington avenue was a Pittsburgh visitor Wednesday.

R. H. R. was in Pittsburgh Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Barger spent Wednesday in Pittsburgh.

E. F. Kramer of Dravosburg was a visitor in Charleroi Thursday.

St. time to join the Christmas Savings club at the Charleroi Savings & Trust company. 152-tl

Miss Matilda Romers of Gar street has gone to Blannville, Pa., for her health.

Misses Lillian Barnhart and Dorothy Dryden were guests at a dinner given by Mrs. William High of the Elks club.

Misses Alice and Iva Higgins spent Wednesday in Pittsburgh.

G. M. Stewart has resumed his duties at the local freight station after an illness of several weeks. Mr. Stewart was operated upon at the Allegheny General hospital about four weeks ago.

Misses Celia and Margaret McDermott visited at Homestead Wednesday.

It is not too late to join the Christmas Savings club at the Charleroi Savings & Trust company. 152-tl

Sea water near the shore, and consequently in the immediate vicinity of the saltbeds, contains, we are told by the Paris correspondent of the Lancet, considerable quantities of bacteria, of which the preliminary clarification beds favor the multiplication. This naturally is augmented by the raking of the beds with unclean instruments and the feet of the waders.

The gray salt used for cooking and baking is of this kind. The fine salt is less rich in harmful germs, though not entirely exempt. In spite of the redissolving and clarification of the fresh liquid and the action of heat to induce a recrystallization, there still remain about 2,400 microbe colonies to the grain of white salt. On a ham cured in salt liquor, M. VanErmengem found the very poisonous bacillus botulism.

M. Andouard concludes from his observations that salt is a substance more or less impure from both the chemical and bacteriological point of view, and that serious measures are called for refining, sterilization and clean packing—to put an end to the disorders that may be caused by this product.

## CHARLEROI WINS FROM JEANNETTE

Charleroi team in the West Penn League won the game from Jeannette here Wednesday night by the score of 44 to 31. Both teams played a fast game. Irvin played a star game for Charleroi. The playing of each member of the Jeannette team was good.

## ST. JEROME WINS

St. Jerome Lyceum reserves defeated the Hilltop Juniors by the score of 54 to 17. The features of the game was the shooting of Lertz.

## ORDINANCE NO. . . .

An Ordinance granting to the First Christian church of Charleroi, Pa., authority to construct and maintain as herein provided a temporary frame tabernacle at the corner of Fifth street and Fallowfield avenue, in the borough of Charleroi. Be it ordained and enacted by the Burgess and Town Council of the Borough of Charleroi, Washington county, Pennsylvania and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same:

### Section 1.

That the First Christian church of Charleroi, Pa., be hereby authorized and permitted to construct and maintain a one story frame tabernacle for religious, educational and charitable purposes only, on the property known as the Berryman lots situate at the corner of Fifth street and Fallowfield avenue in the Borough of Charleroi, Washington county, Pennsylvania.

### Section 2.

The said The First Christian church of Charleroi, Pa., shall first obtain the consent of the adjoining property owners before beginning the construction of said tabernacle.

### Section 3.

The said The First Christian church of Charleroi, Pa., shall raise, tear down and remove said one story frame tabernacle on or before the 6th day of April, 1915, failing which, the Borough of Charleroi, by its proper officers, agents and employees may cause the same to be razed, torn down and removed and may connect the material therein used for the purpose of defraying the expense of razing, tearing down and removing said tabernacle.

### Section 4.

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to permit the construction or maintenance of any frame buildings or edifices within the Borough of Charleroi aforesaid, except as herein expressly provided.

Ordained and enacted into an ordinance this 29th day of Dec., 1914.

D. R. Duvall,

President of Council

Attest:  
Ira L. Nickeson,  
Clerk.

Examined and approved by me this 30th day of December, 1914.

S. L. Woodward,

Chief Burgess.

Attested and Certified:  
Ira L. Nickeson,  
Clerk.

## BREEDING PLACE OF MICROBE

French Bacteriologist Gives Salt the First Place as an Infection Ground.

Salt has always been regarded as a pretty safe thing, but M. Andouard, a French bacteriologist, has been making a study of it, and has come to the conclusion that it is a veritable breeding place of microbes of all kinds, and a possible source of more or less severe infections.

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## TURN FROM MEDICAL STUDY

Past Year Has Witnessed a Marked Decrease in the Number of Students Enrolled.

During the past year there were 640 women studying medicine, or 39 less than last year, a decrease of 40 below 1911 and a decrease of 367 below 1910. The percentage of women students to the total number of medical students was 38, as compared with 32 last year. There were 154 women graduates this year, or 3.5 per cent of all graduates.

There has been a very marked decrease, says the Journal of the American Medical association, in the number of women in medicine since 1910, when there were 907 women students and 157 graduates, and in 1909, when there were 921 women students and 162 graduates. Of all the women matriculants, 138 (21.6 per cent.) were in attendance at the two medical colleges for women as compared with 143 (21.1 per cent.) in 1912, 134 (19.7 per cent.) in 1911, and 155 (17.1 per cent.) in 1910. The remaining 602 (78.4 per cent.) were matriculated in the 55 coeducational colleges. From the two women's colleges there were 33, or 21.4 per cent of all women graduates, while 121, or 78.6 per cent, secured their degrees from coeducational colleges.

## Interesting Legal Opinion.

A decision by the supreme court of Minnesota is not supported by many authorities but is regarded by the New York Law Journal as of much interest and essentially just. It is the case of the city of Minneapolis versus Canterbury, in which it not only applies to an officer of a municipal corporation the obligation of absolute faith in dealing on behalf of the city, but similarly, as with an agent in behalf of a private principal, holds him liable in a direct action to recover the proceeds of the breach of his public trust inuring to his public benefit. The court laid down the rule that "where a city officer while acting in an advisory capacity to a committee of the council charged with the selection of a site for a building to be used in connection with his department, purchased certain land with the view of selling it to the city for such purpose, and conveyed it to a third person, who, pursuant to the plan, sold it to the city at an advanced price, the officer became a trustee for and liable to the city to the extent of the difference between the price paid by him and that paid by the city."

## Couldn't Afford to Laugh.

Hickory Wood, the pantomime writer, used to tell an amusing story of a theatrical manager who once shared his box at a provincial pantomime. When the principal comedian entered and did his best, the manager, with a scowl on his brow leant over to Mr. Wood, and remarked, "I want to engage that man for next Christmas in my production."

"Do you think he is funny?" Mr. Wood asked.

"Scramming funny," returned the manager.

"Then why don't you laugh?" asked Mr. Wood.

"Laugh, when he's got his eyes on me?" replied the manager. "And every smile means that he'll ask another favor a week."

## Oldtime Bearded Women.

A bearded woman was taken by the Russians at the battle of Pultowa. She was such a curiosity that she was given to Czar Peter I. Her beard measured 1 1/2 yards. Margaret of Savoy, daughter of Maximilian I, emperor of Germany, and governor of the Netherlands 1567 to 1580 had a very long, stiff beard. In Bavaria at the time of Wolflus there lived a woman with a great long beard. Mlle. Bois de Chene, born at Geneva it was said, in 1834, was exhibited in London when she was eighteen years old. She had a profuse head of hair and strong black beard.

## CHOCOLATE PLANT IS NATIVE

Has been Cultivated in Many Countries, But It Undoubtedly Originated in America.

The chocolate plant is a native of America. When first introduced into Europe chocolate was used only as a luxury, but it speedily advanced in popular esteem. It is now cultivated in countries far from its original home. The chocolate plant, as well as tea and coffee, has been cultivated from time immemorial. Chocolate as a beverage rapidly made its way in Europe, beginning in Spain, whither it was first brought.

The seeds of the chocolate plant are in pods. In preparing the seeds for market there has been but little change since early times. First the seeds are allowed to ferment, and thus they lose the slight bitterness which they possess when fresh. Then they are carefully dried, and in this condition they stand transparent. In manufacturing the seeds or beans are roasted, by which process the shell of the seed becomes detachable from the kernel, which is the part used. Next the roasted kernels are ground.

In early times the Mexicans used the fat stones on which their maize was ground for the grinding of the roasted seeds of chocolate. Chocolate consists of the roasted, shelled and ground seeds. Sweet chocolate is the same with the addition of sugar and flavoring extracts. Cocoa consists of the roasted and ground seeds from which the oil has been removed. Experiments have shown that if the seeds are rightly treated from the first to the last stage of manufacture no objection can be urged against the beverage produced from them. It is of importance that these seeds should be grown and selected with the greatest care and should, after reaching the factory, receive the most careful and skillful treatment.—Harper's Weekly.

## FOR UNIFORM ROAD LAWS

Canada, to Join Hands With the United States if Premier Borden Approves the Idea.

Canada will be represented with the United States in an endeavor to obtain uniform laws pertaining to road building, if the proposition meets the approval of Premier Borden, according to an announcement made, at the American Road congress by A. W. Campbell, deputy minister of railways and canals for the Canadian government. Mr. Campbell said that he would use his influence in urging the premier to consent to the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee representing the American Highway association and the American Bar association to evolve a plan for uniform road laws.

"I realize that in Canada, as well as throughout the United States, we have 40 varieties of road laws for every province," said Mr. Campbell. "This tends to retard real road work, and I heartily endorse any plan that would bring about practically the same laws for both the United States and Canada relative to good roads."

## London to Have New Lord Mayor.

Though he does not assume office till November 9, the election of the lord mayor of London, England, the successor of the fabled Dick Whittington, and other historic magistrates, takes place this month. Already it is announced that the choice of the liverymen, the members of the city companies, who elect the lord mayor, has fallen upon Sir Thomas Vansittart Bowater, who is the head of a large firm of paper merchants. Sir Vansittart, as he is popularly called, has been a common councilman since 1899. He was high sheriff of London in 1905-6, when he assisted the lord mayor of the day, Sir Walter Vaughan Morgan, to entertain the late King George of Greece at the Guildhall, and to welcome King George and Queen Mary, at that time prince and princess of Wales, on their return home from India. Sir Vansittart, during his year of office, made civic visits to Milan and Rome, when he was honored with an audience by the king of Italy.

## Profitable Bunko Scheme.

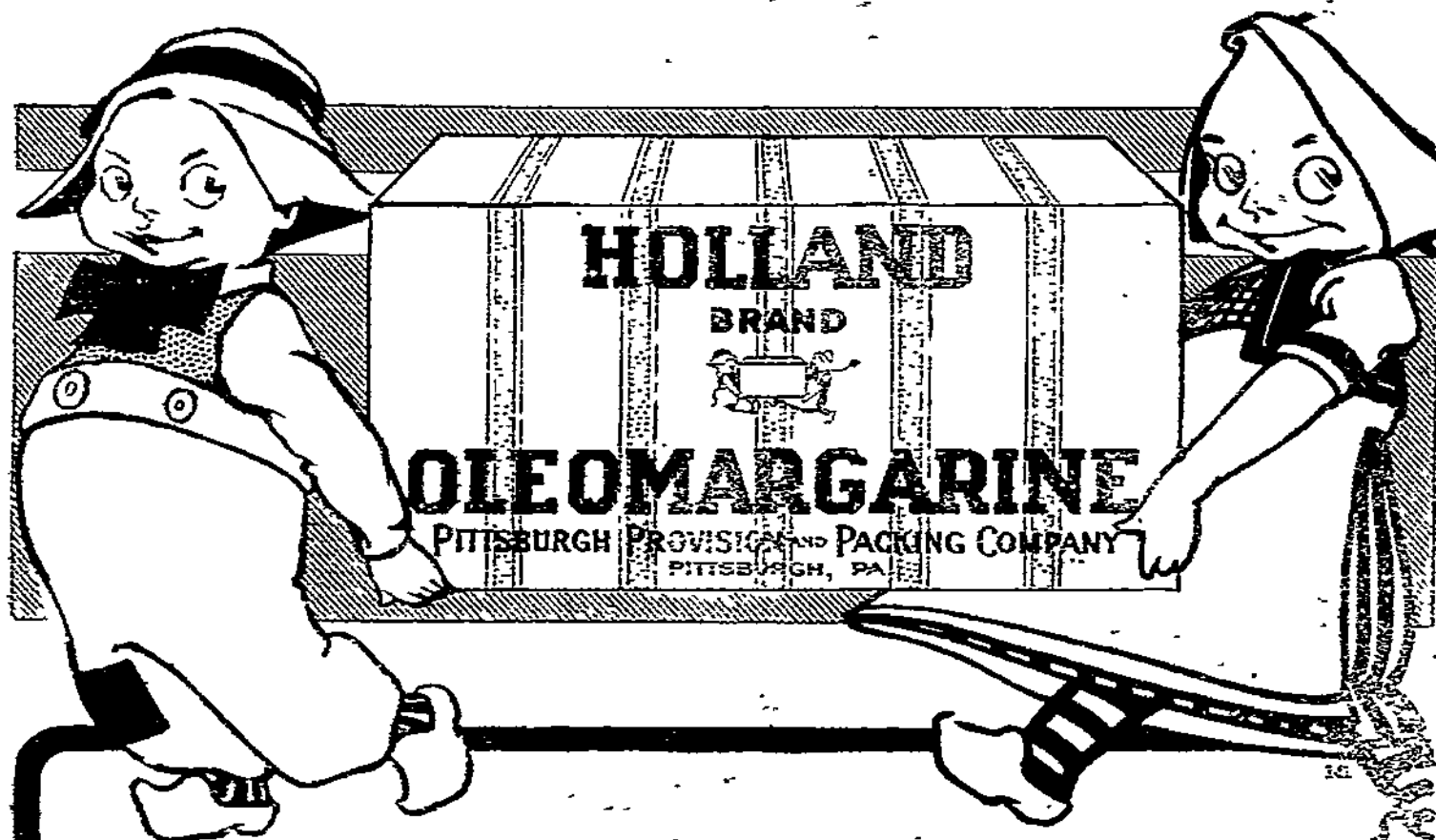
Among the extraordinary frauds which have been perpetrated was one put into operation by a company of schemers who told a confiding public that many fortunes were to be made by importing into England compressed dried grapes from Spain, Italy and elsewhere then saturating them with good English water, and making wine from them. It was stated in the prospectus that dried grapes could be imported at a much cheaper rate than wine, and that it was possible to produce an equal quantity of wine of equal quality to that made abroad. Thousands of pounds were subscribed by the British public, who firmly believed in the idea until the scheme collapsed.

## Middle Verse of Bible.

The middle verse of the Bible is the eighth verse of the 118th Psalm. The twenty-first verse of the seventh chapter of Ezra contains all the letters of the alphabet except the letter J. The longest verse is the ninth verse of the eighth chapter of Esther. The shortest verse is the ninth verse of the eleventh chapter of St. John.

## In the Wrong Shop.

An old gentleman walked up to the pretty girl attendant at the counting room of a daily newspaper office and said: "Miss, I would like to get copies of your paper for a week back." "You had better get a porous plaster," she abstractedly replied. "You get them just across the street."



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You think it is the only thing to spread on bread and use in cooking. THAT'S THE ONLY REASON. Now Then—Prove for yourself how really good, economically good, is



Don't let the name OLEOMARGARINE scare you—Government regulations compel us to Brand it Oleomargarine—but it is just as pure, tastes as good, spreads as nicely, bakes, fries and cooks to the Queen's taste, and—

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PITTSBURGH PROVISION AND PACKING CO., PITTSBURGH, PA.

# Advertise



## BASKETBALL

Friday, January 1st  
At 8 O'clock

Munhall H. S. vs. High School  
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

Individual reserved seats.....25c

General admission.....10c

Admission to pupils.....10c

High School Season Tickets on sale at  
Piper's Pharmacy--10 games \$2.00.

## WE THANK YOU

Just at this time, when the old year is about to give way to the new, we wish to thank our friends for their patronage which has made the year just passing the biggest year in our business history.

We have big things in view for the approaching New Year. We expect to carry more complete stocks than ever before and we shall continue to put forth our best efforts to serve you doubly better.

Again thanking you for your patronage in the past, and hoping for a continuance of the same, we extend our sincere wishes to you, one and all, for a most

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Happy New Year

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Patrons not receiving a calendar please call for one

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### Notice.

The Borough Council of Charleroi will receive prices on lots sufficient to erect a municipal building, said plot of ground to be approximately 44 by 100 feet or more. All propositions must be in the hands of council on or before Tuesday evening January 5 1915. Said propositions or option to remain in force until Feb. 3, 1915. Council reserves the right to reject any or all said propositions.

Ira L. Nickerson,

Borough Clerk.

D-23-24-26-31

## WAR NOTES

London, Dec. 31.—A special session was held by the British cabinet Wednesday afternoon, to consider the American government's note concerning the delay to American shipping, caused by the searching of vessels by the British fleet. The subject of American shipping continues to monopolize interest here. It is not expected that a reply to the note will be drafted for several days. It will be necessary to make an investigation of the matter before any reply can be made to the United States. The issue is being calmly discussed. The English papers are discussing the note freely.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 31.—It is the opinion here that the difficulty between the United States and England will be amicably adjusted. It is believed in official quarters that a mutual understanding might be reached whereby legitimate cargoes could be certified before their departure from this country and thereby be made immune from detention.

London, Dec. 31.—Since the Russian defeat of the Austrians in Galicia which, while not irreparable is likely to have a marked effect on the whole Austro-German campaign in the east, there have been no important developments on either front. The allies are hammering away and gradually pushing their lines forward.

Tokio, Dec. 31.—The foreign office says the report in circulation that Japanese troops have landed at Vladivostok or at any other place on their way to Europe are absolutely untrue.

London, Dec. 31.—It is reported that seven aeroplanes flew over Dunkirk Wednesday, and dropped bombs. It is stated that 15 persons were killed and 32 wounded. The bombs were filled with shrapnel. Buildings in all parts of the city were wrecked.

London, Dec. 31.—A French submarine boat has torpedoed the Austrian dreadnaught Viribus Units at Pola. It is reported that the hull of the dreadnaught was pierced but that she succeeded in reaching her dock. She is one of the largest type of the Austrian navy.

## BENTLEYVILLE

### Hotel Changes Hands.

The Central hotel on Main street, has changed from the management of Mrs. Anna Harrington to that of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Nixon of New Castle. Mrs. Harrington moved to the

Bank residence on the Washington road.

### Donation Party.

Rev. R. G. Ritchey of the Methodist church received a donation Tuesday evening at his home. There were more than sixty persons present at the event. An abundance of staple and fancy gifts were given. Rev. Ritchey arrived after proceedings were well under way and welcomed the congregation.

### Ralph Byers.

The death of Ralph Byers has been reported in Bentleyville. Mr. Byers was about twenty years of age and was a graduate of the Bentleyville high school class of 1913. He died at a sanitarium in Hamburg, Pa., near Harrisburg, while taking treatment for tuberculosis. The young man was popular in Bentleyville and was to have figured prominently in the Alumni association being formed. After graduating from the local high school Mr. Byers entered the freshman class at Bucknell college, at Lewisburg, but was unable to attend school longer than the freshman year because of failing health. The deceased is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Major Byers formerly of this place but now of Marianna; Mrs. William C. Sholly, of Fourth street, Bentleyville; Stephen Byers of Marianna; Henry Byers of Golly Bridge, W. Va.; Mrs. J. Steelmae of Ohio and Everett Byers of Marianna.

### Personal Mention.

Mrs. O. E. Krider of Marianna is visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Newlon of Third street.

Mrs. Charles VanVoorhis and daughter, Mrs. Hazel Gregg of Van Voorhis have returned after visiting in Monongahela.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Newlon are visiting in Pittsburgh with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newlon of Buckhannon, W. Va., who are visiting in Pittsburgh. S. Goldman who has been in the West Penn hospital, Pittsburgh for nine weeks has returned home. He underwent an operation.

Miss Edna Hill of Washington is visiting her brothers, Walter and Homer Hill.

It is rumored that the Acme mines has received a great many orders for coal and that work in this section will be plentiful.

John Hegde of Scenery Hill visited here.

## HIGH SCHOOL

## BASKETBALL

## GAMES FRIDAY

The high school basket ball team has been doing some hard practice work since the game with the Alumni Monday night and will be in good shape for the game with Munhall high school Friday night.

Munhall is said to have a strong team and a close game is anticipated. The game will start at 8 o'clock and will be played in the high school building.

Arrangements have been perfected for a preliminary game to be played between the Monongahela Alumni and Charleroi Alumni teams. This will prove as interesting as the regular schedule game as the Monongahela team will be composed of last year stars and Charleroi will have the last year Champion team. The fact that Monongahela and Charleroi were also close rivals for the championship will help make the game more interesting.

Don't forget to ask for the hand brush given with the three cakes of Harmony Glycerine soap tomorrow at Carrolls.

## CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE—Cheap. New pair No. 5, \$5.00 ball bearing, steel roller, roller states. Call Mail office. 149tfp

WANTED—Position by well experienced man in farming to produce the best in all sorts of products, also in dairy. Desires well stocked farm on shares. Inquire 452 Mail. 149-46

WANTED—An experienced girl for general housework, permanent position with good wages to capable girl. Apply at 613 Crest avenue, Charleroi, Pa. 151-t2

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Nice location. 455 Mail office. 152-t1

## OLD ERRORS THAT PERSIST

Have Been Handed Down for Generations, and Are Hard to Eradicate from Youthful Minds.

One is surprised to find that in the mental storehouses of many pupils lie hidden quaint and curious ideas, distorted historical truths, popular fallacies, and false beliefs which modern historical criticism has long since banished to the realms of the historical novelist, the newspaper writer, and the maker of almanacs.

To suggest a few of these old friends: The Church of England was founded by Henry VIII. Because the pope would not allow him to marry Anne Boleyn, weets one constantly. Another interesting item is that the puritans were so much purer and better than the members of the Church of England that they were persecuted for religion.

Only the children of the rich planters were ever educated in Virginia or in the other southern colonies, and these children were sent to England or had tutors at home, for there were no schools of any kind in the south, is a statement sincerely believed, historians to the contrary notwithstanding.

The King of England caused the revolution because he taxed the Americans so heavily. The king, in the student's mind, laid the tax and acted in a most outrageous fashion in general. Such a body as the English parliament or the English theory of representation appear to have made no mental impression upon him.

A royal colony was always tyrannically governed, and was much worse than a charter or proprietary government, the word "royal" evidently striking the democratic mind as fundamentally wrong.

Poetic justice is also ever present as to the ultimate end of certain notable personages. Benedict Arnold and Aaron Burr always spend their last days in deepest poverty and remorse, while Columbus still persists in dying in prison and in chains. Jefferson in a peculiarly fortunate character, for the average pupil insists that he originated democracy and solemnly states that we owe our government by the people to the Sage of Monticello. He also wrote the constitution. This rather irritating falsehood is strangely common.—History Teachers' Magazine.

### Centenaries of Gas.

In 1792 a manufacturer in Redruth, in Cornwall, named Murdoch made gas to light his home and factory. Pall Mall in London, 1807, was the first street to be lighted by gas; Philadelphia introduced it in 1816; Boston in 1822, and New York in 1825. Gas is obtained from coal, which is heated in large retorts; the heavy gas drawn off passes by a pipe, called the hydraulic main, through a number of curved pipes called condensers, in which process coal tar and ammoniacal liquor condense and fall into a well. The gas passes to purifiers over slaked lime, which takes up sulphureted hydrogen and carbonic acid; it is then headed downward to the gas holder, a large tank having its base resting on water, and from which the gas is distributed to the consumers. Certain byproducts are obtained in the course of manufacture which are more valuable than the gas itself; these include coke, ammonia, anilin, phenol, or carbolic acid, naphthalene dyes, various artificial drugs and basic perfumes.—The Christian Herald.

### World Coal Supplies.

The British Board of Trade has just published a report in which it states that the total known coal production of the world, in 1911 (exclusive of brown coal or lignite) was about 1,050,000,000 tons, of which the United Kingdom produced more than one-fourth and the United States more than two-fifths. As compared with population the production in the United Kingdom was six tons per head, and in the United States a little less than five tons.

The output in the five principal coal-producing countries during 1911 was as follows: United Kingdom, 271,399,000 tons; Germany, 158,164,000; France, 28,023,000; Belgium, 22,683,000; with the United States at the head with 443,025,000.

The average value per ton of the coal taken at the collieries was: United Kingdom, \$1.92; Germany, \$2.275; Belgium, \$2.32; United States, \$1.432.

### Mail Carriers' New Job.

As the cost of numbering the population of the United States, and the collection of other statistics, cost the thirteenth census over \$20 per inhabitant, Director Durand, in his annual report suggests that mail carriers be used for future census work.

He calls attention to the fact that much of the work was unsatisfactory, and also to the difficulty in inducing competent men to take up the work for the brief time in which they are engaged as enumerators.

This branch, the field work, cost the government \$7,223,355 or about \$125 per inhabitant, and Mr. Durand believes that it can be done cheaper and better by the carriers, with their somewhat similar training. The postmaster general is said to favor the plan.

### Improvements.

Bacon—I see poultry dealers in New York have installed electric fans to cool live chickens to prevent deaths from heat.

Egbert—I wish they would install some kind of an apparatus to warm up the chickens in cold storage, so they wouldn't appear to be so long dead.

## MEANT VACATION FOR MOTHER

Her Idea of Relaxation and Complete Change Was Entirely Within Her Own Mind.

Mrs. Emberson did all the cooking, washing, mending and other household work for her family of five. Among her other duties was the making and baking of five loaves of bread three times a week, for Mr. Emberson and the growing children had hearty appetites.

At last Mrs. Emberson decided she must have a vacation.

"I feel," she told her husband, "that if I had to stand up to that bread-board and make one more batch of bread I should drop dead. I've got to have a change."

Mr. Emberson was more than willing. He had often urged her to take a rest. It was decided that she should pack up that very day and go to visit her younger sister in Kansas.

"Now, Laura," said Mrs. Emberson, as soon as she had got into a loose-house dress and dropped into an easy chair, "I've come to rest and visit. I don't want you ever to ask me what I want to eat, or expect me to turn my hand to help with a thing. I'm sick and tired of housework, and I don't want even to hear it mentioned."

"All right," said Laura, laughing, "you can depend on me. I've always wanted you to rest and let somebody else take the work and worry for a little while."

At dinner the second day Mrs. Emberson said to her brother-in-law, "John, do you like baker's bread?"

"No," confessed John, "we don't any of us like it, but Laura has so much to do that I insist on buying the bread."

"You bring home some yeast this evening," said Mrs. Emberson, "and I'll make you some home-made bread."

Two weeks later, when Mrs. Emberson returned home, her husband was delighted to see how fresh and rested she looked. Nevertheless, he tried to speak severely:

"Now see here, Martha, I thought you went for a rest and change. Laura wrote that you had been baking bread for them ever since you got there. I'd like to know what change there was in that."

"O," and Mrs. Emberson laughed happily, "it was a change of bread-boards!"—Youth's Companion.

### Forgotten Part of the Bible.

There is one merit which it is generally admitted that the Apocryphal books possess. For sacred books they are unusually interesting. I know that by some they have been condemned as sanguinary, fantastic, worldly, and too similar to profane literature. It may be that it is these very qualities that have made them so attractive to dramatists, musicians and artists such as Raphael and Alston. Not improbably it was these very traits that led so many painters to employ their skill in portraying Susanna at the Bath, Judith slaying Holofernes, Jeremiah prophesying in the presence of Baruch; and that incited Handel to select the career of Judea's greatest warrior, Judas Maccabeus, as the theme of one of his most glorious oratorios. There are no parts of the Apocrypha more pointedly secular than are certain parts of the canonical Old Testament, such as the books of Esther, Canticles, and the older portions of Ecclesiastics—Rev. James T. Bixby, in Harper's Magazine.

### Gribbling.

They have coined a new word in England, and that word is "gribbling." The word has taken its rise from the writings of Francis Gribble, an English author, who spends most of his time in writing up the love affairs of distinguished persons, and especially of those love affairs that were more or less sordid, or ended unhappily. Mr. Gribble is, indeed, an expert at this sort of thing. He does it much better than anybody else; much better, by far, than Richard Le Gallienne even did it. For one thing, Mr. Gribble has a passion, or what appears to be a passion, for the truth in these matters, and if we must have love episodes written up, it is far better that they should be written up truthfully than that they should be written up falsely. But we cannot avoid feeling that gribbling is a mistake when it becomes the main passion of a man's life, as it is in the case of Francis Gribble.

### Remarkable Gift.

"A sense of humor is a fine possession. With some men, however, it goes to extremes—to ghastly extremes."

The scene was the Economic club's dinner in New York. The speaker, Mayor Hunt of Cincinnati, continued: "I used to know in Horace Anceley a man with this excessive sense of humor. Horace said to me one morning, with a ghastly laugh: 'I've got the greatest joke to tell you!'"

"Well, what is it?" said I. "You know," said Horace, "that I was examined and passed for life insurance last week? Well—ha, ha, ha!—I've been to consult a specialist this morning and he tells me I've got an incurable disease. He gives me just one year. Ha, ha, ha!"

### To Be Rigidly Exact.

Regstaff—I hear you are doing some writing for one of the popular magazines.

Percolium—That's slightly exaggerated; I haven't been able to get my stuff into any but the—unpopular ones yet.

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